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Mr. MICHAEL PAINE, Arlington, Texas, employed by Bell Helicopter Research Laboratory, residence 2515 West 5th Street, furnished the following information:

He owns a Minox camera and that camera is at his home at Irving, Texas. Several years ago he dropped this camera in salt water off the coast of Cape Cod, Massachusetts and after retrieving it, soaking it in kerosene and cleaning same, it appeared to be in good working condition. Thereafter, someone bent the shutter by pulling the lens out too far and to the best of his knowledge it is not now in working condition.

He stated that he did have some cans of film and that some of them were probably exposed film but that the pictures made on this film would be at least five years old.

He stated that he had a case for the camera and other accessories including a light meter. He is not sure that this was a Minox light meter, but believes it was. He stated that when the Police came to his house on November 22, 1963, they took the entire contents of a drawer containing photographic equipment which included the items mentioned above with the exception of the camera. He stated that this camera was in his garage at that time and that although he mentioned the camera to the Police, they did not seem interested in it. He stated that he is sure that LEE HARVEY OSWALD never used this camera and he is of the opinion that it is not in working condition at the present time.

Mr. PAINE advised that he has no knowledge about a "no admittance" sign which was picked up by the Police at his residence. He stated this sign is not his and he has never seen it.

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by Special Agent BARDWELL D. ODUM - gj Date dictated 1/31/64

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